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1. (C) RPF COMMANDER KAGAME TOLD DIA COL. PARKER THE RPF IS ATTACKING SOUTH THROUGH THE DMZ. THEY EXPECT TO BE IN KIGALI TOMORROW. THE RPF JUSTIFIED THE MOVE BECAUSE THE CEASEFIRE HAS BEEN VIOLATED, ITS KIGALI CONTINGENT HAD BEEN ATTACKED, THE RWANDAN ARMY IS KILLING OFFICIALS AND TUTSIS, AND THE UN IS UNABLE TO CONTROL THE SITUATION. THE RPF WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH EXPATRIATE DEPARTURES AND WILL COOPERATE WITH UNAMIR AND FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS IN KIGALI. (1415 EDT KAGAME/PARKER TELCON)

2. (LOU) MAJOR GENERAL NDINDILYIMANA HAS TAKEN CONTROL OF THE ARMED FORCES AND IS NEGOTIATING WITH UNAMIR GENERAL DALLAIRE AND RPF ELEMENTS AT AN UNDISCLOSED LOCATION. ACCORDING TO THE EMBASSY, THE MAJOR GENERAL IS "PROFESSIONAL" AND WANTS AN END TO THE FIGHTING. (EMBASSY TELCON)

3. (LOU) AS OF 1430 EDT, THE SITUATION IN THE SEVENTH
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DAY ADVENTIST MISSION IN MUDENDE HAD IMPROVED. THE AMERICANS FOLLOWED THE CONSUL'S ADVICE AND GATHERED IN A CENTRAL LOCATION (TWO NEIGHBORING HOUSES) AND "PAID OFF" THE MOB, WHICH IS NO LONGER MENACING THEM. (EMBASSY TELCON)

4. (LOU) A GROUP OF 24 AMERICANS LIVING OUTSIDE OF KIGALI ARE ORGANIZING A CONVOY TO TRAVEL OVERLAND TO BURUNDI SATURDAY. THEY RECEIVED PERMISSION FROM GENDARMERIE AND MILITARY AUTHORITIES, AND THE EMBASSY BELIEVES THE ROADS ARE GENERALLY OPEN, ALTHOUGH THERE ARE SPORADIC ROADBLOCKS. (EMBASSY TELCON)

5. (U) TWO FRENCH MILITARY "COOPERANTS" AND THE WIFE OF ONE OF THEM WERE REPORTEDLY KILLED BY RPF TROOPS. THEY HAD REPORTEDLY BEEN PROVIDING REFUGE TO HUTUS IN THEIR HOME. (EMBASSY TELCON)

6. BUJUMBURA - MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.
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